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SUBJECT: MARCOS STATE VISIT TO TOKYO

REF: (A) TOKYO 5677; (B) MANILA 5857

1. JAPANESE CHARGE TANIGUCHI CALLED ON AMBASSADOR APRIL 20. TANIGUCHI WAS FRESH FROM MALACANANG DISCUSSIONS WITH PRESIDENT MARCOS ON FINAL PREPARATIONS FOR STATE VISIT TO JAPAN (APRIL 25-28). HE EXPLAINED THAT AFTER THREE-DAY "OFFICIAL VISIT," MARCOS PARTY WILL MOVE FROM STATE GUEST HOUSE TO OKURA HOTEL FOR TWO MORE DAYS OF GOLF, ETC. THEY WILL REMAIN IN THE TOKYO AREA.

2. TANIGUCHI SAID STATE VISIT WOULD INCLUDE CALL ON EMPEROR. WITH REGARD TO SUBSTANCE, JAPANESE HAVE AGAIN INFORMED FILIPINOS THAT THERE IS NO CHANCE OF SIGNING BILATERAL ECONOMIC  
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TREATY, SINCE IT HAS BECOME OBVIOUS THAT NEGOTIATIONS ARE STILL IN PRELIMINARY STAGE. JAPANESE WANT TO DISCUSS VARIOUS INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS, INCLUDING INTEGRATED STEEL MILL IN CAGAYAN DE ORO AND OIL TERMINAL PROJECT IN MINDANAO. (ACCORDING JAPANESE EMBOFF HATTORI, TWO PARTIES ARE STILL FAR APART WITH REGARD TO JOINT COMMUNIQUE. HE DESCRIBED INITIAL GOP DRAFT AS "SHOPPING LIST" CONTAINING

FULL RANGE OF SPECIFIC PHILIPPINE ECONOMIC DEMANDS. HE SAID JAPANESE SIDE WOULD INSIST ON SOMETHING MUCH MORE GENERAL IN TONE.)

3. TANIGUCHI SAID MARCOS PARTY WOULD INCLUDE IMELDA AND TWO DAUGHTERS, PLUS ROMULO AND VIRTUALLY EVERY OTHER CABINET MEMBER CONCERNED WITH ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, EXCEPT VIRATA, WHO WILL BE IN WASHINGTON. AMBASSADOR BENEDICTO WILL HEAD UP GROUP OF 30 PROMINENT PHILIPPINE BUSINESSMEN IN OFFICIAL PARTY.

4. TANIGUCHI BRIEFLY MENTIONED ATTENDANCE BY PM FUKUDA AT ASEAN SUMMIT MEETING IN AUGUST. HE SAID FUKUDA HAD BEEN MUCH LESS KEEN ON ATTENDING SUMMIT THAN MIKI WAS, SUGGESTING THE JAPANESE ARE STILL FEELING PANGS OF UNCERTAINTY ABOUT WHAT TANIGUCHI TERMED A "SUMMONS, NOT AN INVITATION" TO ATTEND SUMMIT.

5. AMBASSADOR NOTED OUR CONTINUING INTEREST IN COORDINATING WITH JAPANESE BOTH ON BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS WITH ASEAN MEMBERS AND ON ASEANR RJMGUE. HE SAID WE WOULD CONTINUE TO STRESS ENHANCED TRADE AND INVESTMENT AS OPPOSED TO BILATERAL AID. HE POINTED OUT THAT COORDINATION WOULD REQUIRE CARE, SINCE THE SOUTHEAST ASIANS WERE INCREASINGLY SENSITIVE TO ANY SUGGESTION THAT THE US AND JAPAN ARE GANGING UP ON THEM (REF B). TANIGUCHI AGREED WITH BOTH POINTS, NOTING THAT DURING THE VISIT OF DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER ARITA, MARCOS HAD TAKEN SWIFT OBJECTION WHEN HE MISUNDERSTOOD ARITA TO BE SUGGESTING THAT THE JAPANESE

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COULD SOMHOW PLAY A MEDIATORY ROLE IN US-PHILIPPINE BASE NEGOTIATIONS.  
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